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WARD PATIENT FIRST WINNER!—Pfc. David Kimmel, of Buffalo, N. Y., a patient in Ward 11, was the first winner in the football guessing contest conducted each week in the sports section of the BANNER. Tied with six other contestants, Kimmel, who selected twelve correct choices out of the fifteen games listed on the ballot, had scores which came closest to the actual results of the games played last Saturday. For calling his shots so accurately, the soldier from the Empire State (right) was awarded the ten-dollar War Bond given as the weekly prize. Making the presentation to the happy warrior is Sgt. Dave Fidler, of the BANNER.

Home by Christmas For 14,000 Doctors

Christmas this year may have special significance for 14,000 doctors whose discharges are expected to materialize by the holiday season, according to a statement made before the House Military Affairs Committee by Brig. General Raymond W. Bliss, Acting Surgeon General of the Army.

Stating the approximate total of patients still in the Army hospitals to be 40,000 Gen. Bliss said, "You cannot treat patients without doctors. According to the laws of Congress, you cannot separate men without doctors. By Christmas we will have reduced the number of doctors by at least 14,000, which represents more than 30 per cent of the total corps. At the same time, we will continue to meet our first and foremost responsibility to give the American soldier the best medical care that any soldier in any army has ever received."

General Bliss pointed out that in proportion to the Army's 45,000 doctors on VE-Day, there are now 43,000 in service, 2,000 of whom are recent graduates of medical schools.

During September and the first four days of October, the Army Medical Department has separated 2,700 doctors from the service. Through the months of July and August approximately 1,300 doctors were released.

Bankers Elated, Hours Inflated

If this were a large metropolitan daily, this item would be placed properly in those pages devoted to high finance. Since the BANNER is limited to four pages weekly, location becomes of secondary importance.

At any rate, starting Monday, the McGuire bank will extend its business hours to accommodate all the customers with cash in their kicks.

The new hours are from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Opening time on Saturday remains unchanged, with the bank operating from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on that day.

The BANNER has no intention, at this time, of carrying stock market listings.

Weigh Job Values, Special Tests Held

What are you going to do when you get out of the army? For what line of work are you best fitted?

Patients in the amputee and paraplegic wards will have an opportunity to find out the answers to these questions next week through a series of comprehensive aptitude tests.

The tests will begin next Monday under a special project set up by the Red Cross, working in conjunction with Captain David W. Tieszen, chief, information and education branch, and Herbert W. Mack, vocational counselor.

The tests will be conducted by students from Dr. Robert Carver's class in Tests and Measurements at Westhampton College, University of Richmond. Members of the class visited the hospital this week and explained the tests to patients in the amputee and paraplegic wards. Other patients are welcome to take the tests.

"The purpose of the tests," Mr. Mack said, "is to determine what abilities and likes a man has in order that he may understand himself and find out in what line of work he will best fit. The tests will be presented in an interesting manner in order that the most benefits will be derived. Cooperation on the part of the patients will be as helpful to them as to the volunteer workers conducting the tests."

Among the subjects to be covered in the tests are spatial relationship, manual dexterity, manipulation, mental examinations and job likes and dislikes.

Don't Write, Wire; Signal's Shifted

Next time you "Say It with Flowers" or wire home your weekend plans, a newly located telegraph office at McGuire, will serve you according to Lt. John R. Lees, post signal officer. The Western Union office has been moved from the Administration Building to Building 301, and will be located in the telephone exchange.

The new location, just east of the arcade on corridor 5-L, is part of a signal office plan to consolidate its activities. Better centralized service will be provided for all hospital personnel, especially patients, who will not have the long trek to the front of the area from their wards.

McGuire Allotted W.D. Funds For Limb Research Project

Guide to Patients Distributed Soon

A new descriptive booklet of McGuire General Hospital containing information both interesting and helpful for patients is now being printed and will be ready for distribution the end of next week.

Prepared under the direction of Lt. Chris J. Edmonds, personal affairs officer, the booklet has stories and pictures of the various activities at this medical installation. It contains much information especially for patients. For instance, the procedure to be followed by patients in obtaining passes and furloughs is outlined.

The cover was designed by former Sergeant Edward Paier, widely known McGuire artist, who was recently discharged. Paier also prepared maps of the hospital and the city of Richmond. The latter map designates spots of historical interest.

Twenty-five pictures in the 32-page booklet were taken by Sgt. Bruce Milgrim and Pfc. Charles E. Smith.

Catholic Mission Continues for Week

The first Catholic Mission ever held at McGuire will begin at the Masses next Sunday (Oct. 21) in the Post Chapel.

The Mission will be under the direction of Chaplain Joseph J. Gredler and will last throughout the week.

Evening services are scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Morning Mass and instruction will be at 8 a.m., beginning Tuesday.

The Mission will follow the traditional pattern: a review of the fundamentals of Catholic belief and practice. It will be open to all military and civilian personnel who wish to attend.

1,000th Free Movie Show Celebrated

The 140 volunteer projectionists, all employees of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia, who teamed up last June to unroll the free ward movies that are a nightly feature here, will mark their 1,000th showing Monday night.

In celebration of the event, which is to be held in one of the paraplegic wards, Col. P. E. Duggins, commanding officer of the hospital, will present a scroll of appreciation to Mr. Arthur Lambdin, vice-president and general manager of the telephone company, for the work done by the volunteer group.

Working as two-men teams, the volunteers have evolved an intricate system to provide for complete coverage of the wards each night of the week. By switching reels from one ward to another, the same picture may be shown nightly in as many as four wards. The films exhibited are current and just a week or two behind the downtown play dates. The features are furnished by the American Red Cross.

The operators were trained on Army Signal Corps projectors by Mr. W. M. Joyner, and the group is under the direction of Mr. E. T. Cronk, who organized the project and is chairman of the volunteer workers

McGuire General Hospital, the first U. S. Army hospital to supply metal limbs to amputees in this war, has been allotted a \$40,000 fund for a special research project in the development of metals and alloys for artificial legs. The War Department's new program to improve prosthetic devices for wounded men has designated this hospital as one of seven centers to carry on research.

Resignation Delayed By C.R.C. Head

A called meeting of members of Civilian Recreation Center No. 1 is scheduled for next Thursday at 8 p.m. in the club rooms, 601 1/2 East Main Street, for the purpose of framing a new constitution and by-laws.

George League, organizer and first president of the club, who had announced his resignation last week, will continue as president until the November 8 meeting, when a successor will be named. The new constitution will also be adopted at the November meeting.

League said he acceded to the wishes of Colonel P. E. Duggins, Commanding Officer, to stay in office until the new constitution was approved. He had previously announced his resignation on orders of his physician.

"Resigning was the one thing I didn't want to do, but my doctor insisted upon it," he said. "My successor was to be nominated and elected at next Tuesday's meeting, but at the behest of Colonel Duggins I have decided to remain in office until the regular meeting in November."

"I hate to step out. I'd like to thank all the members for their past consideration, and want to assure them of my future cooperation in an unofficial capacity."

League urged all members to attend Tuesday's meeting, as the entire constitution will be rewritten, and this will be their opportunity to suggest changes or amendments.

Ballots are now in the hands of the club members to decide if club dues shall be increased from the current rate of 50 cents a month, and, if so, how much.

The next big event on the club's calendar is a costume ball slated for Halloween night—Wednesday, October 31.

Maj. Payne Arrives Head Nurses Switch

Major Ruth Payne, ANC, who recently returned from one year's service in ETO to become principal chief nurse of the Camp Lee regional hospital has been assigned to that same position at McGuire General Hospital, it was announced today by Col. P. E. Duggins, hospital commanding officer.

Lt. Col. Ivy M. Wadsworth, ANC, who preceded Major Payne in office here at McGuire, has been assigned to Camp Pickett Hospital as principal chief nurse.

Unbiased Opinion

ETO (CNS)—A letter to the editor of Stars and Stripes suggests that the controversy over the point system of discharge can easily be solved by letting men out in alphabetical order. The writer's name is Adams.

The intensified scientific project will be undertaken by the Army in coordination with the National Research Council, according to an announcement by Major General Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General.

The comprehensive program, just announced in Washington, has been set up to get the best possible results in the shortest possible time. Private industry will be given a wide-open opportunity to play a vital part in the research here.

The Army has authorized McGuire to purchase any required materials directly from commercial manufacturers if such materials are not available through ordinary channels. New ideas, blueprinted here, can be submitted to commercial shops for the manufacture of working samples. Any developments at McGuire will, of course, be made accessible to all amputees of the Army.

In inaugurating its new research program, McGuire has been authorized one medical officer, one mechanical engineer and three orthopedic mechanics. This staff will devote its efforts entirely to designing and experimenting in metal limb research.

Lieutenant Colonel Clinton L. Compere, Chief of the Amputation Surgical Section, greeted the hospital's new assignment with this statement:

"Our metal leg is a good leg; it has proved itself. The general attitude of our patients toward it is excellent. The opinion is practically unanimous among our amputees that the metal limbs we have given them are superior. Final judgment, however, must await further research and the thorough testing of the leg by patients meeting the problems of everyday living."

Col. Compere pointed out that the leg built at McGuire is strong and as light as it can be, and provides adequate strength. A metal or plastic socket is easily shaped and fitted to the patient. The light airplane metal permits the welding of all joints.

McGuire has, since its inception, been fitting its patients with a metal limb that is assembled and fitted here from parts manufactured by several different commercial companies. The hip, knee and ankle joint assemblies have been selected as the best available from various manufacturers and are standard in all amputation centers regardless of the particular fabric used.

The present selection of materials and parts was determined after a careful survey by the Office of the Surgeon General, with the assistance of the National Research Council and manufacturers. Cooperating with the new committee on prosthetic devices are the Army, Navy, Veterans Administration, National Bureau of Standards, Federal Security Agency and engineers from some of the nation's top industrial concerns, including the Northrup Aviation Company.

The Surgeon General's Office has stated that the new research pro-

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Writer's Cramp

Among our favorite characters here is a little gent who, at the moment, is dividing his allegiance between being a patient and a member of the detachment at one and the same time. Our little chum was employed as a printer on a daily newspaper not too far from New York City. He is shrewd, quick-witted and has a poetic streak revealed only when he has unlimbered the kinks in his elbow. His capacity for beer is startling.

We understand that it is only a question of days before our friend will become a civilian. While discussing this delightful prospect with a group of barracks buddies the other night, the suggestion was made to our boy that instead of leaving the army with the "ruptured duck" sewn on his blouse, he be given something new to replace that all-too-rare symbol of freedom. A collection is being made to present our man with a hand-embroidered facsimile of the Ballantine's beer label to wear over his right breast pocket.

When we were kids, long before this war started, we used to sit enthralled over the tales of things to come. Frank Merriwell and Nick Carter were okay, but nothing used to give us a boot like the characters out of the pages of those pulps devoted to science-fiction. They were the predecessors of Superman, Captain Marvel and the other infallibles of the funnies today.

One of the things which we liked especially was the idea that our meals could be taken in capsule form. To one whose every childhood moment was a priceless thing, the time devoted to eating was definitely wasted. Why eat when we might be playing ball? Better to play ball, swallow a pill for our meal and go on trying to become another Babe Ruth.

This thought sustained us for quite a while. Disillusionment came with our induction into the army. Here science emerged the victor, while our dreams were smashed beyond salvage.

The concentrated goodness that lurks in a package of K-rations was our downfall. Powdered eggs, dehydrated milk and pulverized soup contributed towards making us a man.

USO shows have done a wonderful job of entertainment in this war—here and abroad. Our admiration for these performers is sincere and well founded. Yet, at this late stage, we admit to being very confused.

We refer to the appearance here the other night of a USO-Camp Show unit called "Showing Off." It was no better or worse than most shows of that type. In it was an act billed as Swor and Goode, a blackface comedy team which was represented by the master of ceremonies as having two performers from the old-time minstrel shows.

Theirs was the familiar routine of portraying the Negro as a shiftless, gambling individual quick to inflict mayhem and one whose mental level was none too high. We know that this type of racial caricature is in direct violation and contrary to every existing regulation of the War Department. To our knowledge, it is condemned strongest in a document entitled "Guide to the Use of Information Materials," a handbook more familiarly known to practitioners of army orientation as "20-3."

Since the USO-Camp Shows are permitted to appear in military installations, the question is, where does War Department control begin or end?

At best, it's a cheap way of getting a laugh. There were many in the audience who failed to be amused.

From one of the better-known picture magazines we cull the information that the "first genuine post-war fad" is the blowing of soap bubbles. According to the picture correspondents, people began first to froth at the mouth in Atlanta, Ga. The explanation for all this is reputed to be that the pastime is peaceful and soothing and a direct reaction to the horrors of war.

That's a wonderful escape, but what happens when the bubble bursts? Or, are we being too realistic?

More . . . next week. —D. F.

McGUIRE On the Air

OPEN HOUSE AT McGUIRE
Saturday 5:00-5:30 p.m. WRVA
HEAR special music by McGuire Band.

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MONKEYSHINES AT McGUIRE
Wednesday, 7:30-8:00 p.m. WRNL
HEAR and SEE this hilarious quiz show at the Red Cross. Fun begins at 7 p.m.

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CORPORAL EDDIE WEAVER
Thursday, 3:45-4:00 p.m. WRVA
HEAR organ melodies by Eddie Weaver. Featuring interviews with patients.

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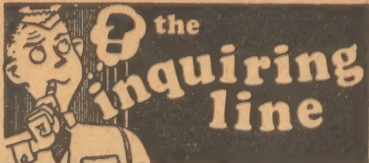
OKAY AMERICA
Tues., Oct. 23, 9:30-10 p.m. WRVA
HEAR and SEE this entertaining Show starring patients and mc'd by Joe Brown, transcribed in Ward 22F. Show begins at 7 p.m.

Bars and Stripes

To Major—
Capt. Philip J. Morgan
To First Sergeant—
T-Sgt. Thelma M. Diven
T-Sgt. Manuel Lucero
To Staff Sergeant—
Sgt. Octavia M. R. Parrish
To Technician Third Grade—
T-4 Martha G. Schaefer



"Watch out for his free toe!"



By Major R. A. Murphy

Q. After I am discharged, and I decide I am not satisfied with life as a civilian, how soon after discharge will I have to re-enlist in order to retain my present rating?

A. War Dept. Cir. 310, dated 6 Oct., 1945, states that:

1. Men honorably discharged and enlisted within 20 days after the date of discharge will be enlisted in the grade held at the time of such discharge, permanent or temporary, whichever is higher.
2. Men honorably discharged on or after 12 May, 1945, and before 1 November, 1945, will be enlisted in the grade held at the time of discharge, permanent or temporary, whichever is higher, provided enlistment is effected prior to 21 November, 1945.

Q. I am a former enlisted man who now holds a commission, and about to revert to an inactive status. I am contemplating enlisting in the Army. Would I be enlisted with the rank of private?

A. War Dept. Cir. 310, dated 6 Oct., 1945, states that:

1. Applicants for enlistment, whose last period of active service in the Army of the United States was in the status of commissioned officer, warrant officer, or flight officer, will be enlisted in the first grade, provided such enlistment is effected within 20 days of the date of release from active service.
2. The provisions of this paragraph do not preclude the statutory right to re-enlist in grade, of former Regular Army enlisted men who were discharged to enter upon active duty as commissioned officers or warrant officers in the Army of the United States.

Q. How long may I wear my uniform after discharge?

A. AR 600-40 Par 27 states: Honorable discharge personnel en route home—Section 125, National Defense Act, as amended, permits any person who has been honorably discharged from the United States Army to wear his uniform from place of discharge to his home, within 3 months after date of discharge. This also applies to officers and enlisted men who are separated from the service under honorable conditions or transferred to an inactive status. After arrival home it is unlawful to wear the uniform except under the provisions of paragraph 25 of AR 600-40. (Par 25 refers to the wearing of the uniform upon occasions of ceremony.)

Q. Prior to being hospitalized, I was receiving jump pay as a parachutist. How long am I entitled to receive jump pay while away from duty?

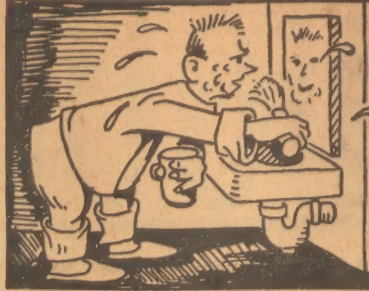
A. AR 35-1495, Par 5, states: Parachute duty is designated as all duty performed by a person who has received a rating as parachutist or is undergoing training for such a rating, where parachute jumping is an essential part of such duty, including:

- (a) while on leave or furlough or temporary duty status for not to exceed 3 months;
- (b) while sick in line of duty (including hospitalization on account of venereal disease) for a period not to exceed 3 months.

Here's How the Word Got Around in Japan

Japan (CNS)—This is the way Japan's royal family informed its ancestral ghosts of Nippon's surrender:

First the Emperor notified the spirits of the war's end in the sanctuaries of the Imperial Palace. Then, the court ritualist paid a visit to the inner and outer shrines at Ise, informing them of the demise of the "Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere." And finally Count Kinto Muromachi passed the word along to the ghost of Jimmu Tenno, Japan's first Emperor and legendary sire of the royal clan.



If there was any dissenting voice about the detachment dance Tuesday night, it must have been reduced to a whisper or drowned out entirely by unanimous shouts of approval.

According to a casual survey made by your reporters, who kept dropping around to the tables and then, finally, just dropping completely, it was generally agreed that this was without a doubt the best "rat race" ever held here.

Even at reveille the next ayem (my achin' back!) the usual gripes were tempered by the memories that still lingered on.

That George Paxton guy was really surprised to hear our Taffy Adams sing. It was his request that had Taffy singing a second number after the Boston gal had knocked 'em dead with her version of "You Made Me Love You."

Speaking of the Wacs, the kids looked terrific in their formals. We've heard of talents being hidden by the proverbial bushel basket, but there was plenty of stuff seen that night—and where it wouldn't hurt the eyes, either.



Week of Friday, October 14. Show for patients at 6:15 p.m.; for duty personnel at 8:15 p.m.

FRIDAY—"Man Alive," with Pat O'Brien, Ellen Drew.
SATURDAY—"Princess and the Pirate," with Bob Hope, Victor McLaglen, Virginia Mayo. (Revival.)
SUNDAY & MONDAY—"Paris Underground," with Constance Bennett, Gracie Fields.
TUESDAY—Double Feature: "Wanderer of the Wasteland," with James Warren, Audrey Long; "Tiger Woman," with Kane Richmond, Adele Mara.
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY—"Dolly Sisters," with Betty Grable, John Payne, June Haver.
FRIDAY—"First Yank in Tokyo," with Tom Neal, Barbara Hale.

Chapel Schedule

PROTESTANT
Midweek Service Wednesday evenings7:00 p.m.
Conference Room 12, Building 303.
Sunday Service.....9:30 a.m. and, at 10:30 a.m. in Conference Room, Bldg. 303.

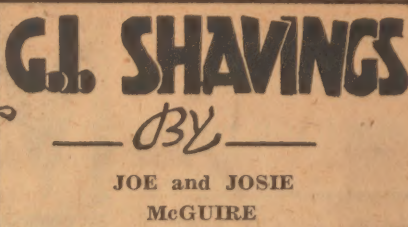
CATHOLIC
Sunday Mass8:30, 11 a.m.
Daily Mass.....5 p.m.
Confessions Saturday, 6:30, 8 p.m. and Daily before Mass.
Mission, Monday through Saturday7:30 p.m.

JEWISH
Friday Services.....7:00 p.m.

Washington (CNS)—For men only: shirtrails, chopped off short by an early WPB conservation order, are back again by virtue of a new order. Likewise double pockets, French cuffs, and other frills.



"Gosh, it's great not to have to salute anymore!"



Some one in Washington wasn't kidding when, as GI nomenclature has it, they called it olive drab. The uniform is okay, we guess, but after all—look at the difference.

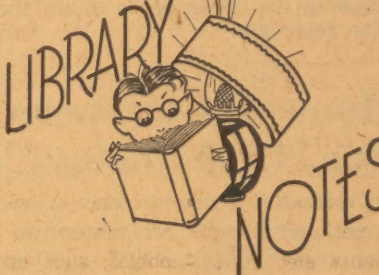
That Paxton crew, judging from its performance here, is a s-m-o-o-t-h outfit, somewhat reminiscent of the late Glen Miller's band. They are definitely on the way up.

All in all, it was quite a night. Yessir, quite a night.

Whistles have been blowing like mad at the crack of dawn around here lately. Reveille has come to McGuire. You'll get no comment from us about that, sir.

Still, one phrase has been haunting us. "If it don't grow, pick it up!" Perfect lyrics, we think, that might be set to music. A boogie beat, maestro, please.

The expression of the week is the reference made of themselves by those below the first three grades. The fellers are calling themselves "cheap labor."



By Suzanne McLaurin Connell

There is a character in fiction who demands our notice because of his universal fame and his established place in the affections of the average reader. He is the super-sleuth, or the great detective, and he may belong to any country or any age; he is of every type of mentality or physique, and he can be distinguished from all others of his trade by his own peculiar technique. Some readers prefer one type, some prefer another; however, almost all agree that the great detective is a fictional character of prime importance. Yes, "it's elementary, my dear Watson," and quite obvious that the fictional detective has a very firm place in the affections of readers.

In any discussion of detectives, the inimitable Sherlock Holmes cannot be overlooked. His name has become legendary and is used synonymously with the terms "detective" and "sleuth."

Another detective almost equal to Sherlock in fame and skill is Hercule Poirot, Agatha Christie's brilliant contribution to the ranks of great detectives. The little Belgian with his unbounded ego and his confidence in his "little grey cells" has a large following.

To mention a detective of an entirely different school, Perry Mason, with his nimble brain and facile conscience, specializes in the pastimes of tampering with evidence, hoodwinking the Los Angeles police department, and giving brilliant courtroom performances.

In any discussion of great detectives it is only fair to give some mention to that faithful character so common in many novels—that is, the detective's alter ego and friend, who listens to his explanations and is a kind of sounding-board for his opinions. Dr. Watson was the first of these; Poirot's friend, Hastings, runs him a close second; and Perry Mason is blessed with two such cohorts, Della Street and Paul Drake.

(CNS)—"Those who do not understand the true intentions of the Japanese should go to Hell."—Radio Tokyo, Feb. 1, 1942.



“CIVILIANS” FOR ONE NIGHT—Members of the Wac Detachment here underwent a Cinderella-like transformation when they were granted permission to wear formal evening dress to attend the detachment dance held in the gym last Tuesday night. Those accustomed to seeing the girls only in olive drab were pleasantly surprised to find them looking lovelier than ever in their party gowns. About forty of the lassies made the transition from GI to civilian for the evening. Other duty personnel attending wore the traditional Class A uniform. Top hats, tails and white ties are still taboo according to ARs, unless one has been awarded the “ruptured duck.” From all available sources it is learned that the girls would like to make the change for a longer time than a one-night stand.

Plastics Punishment Meted Mouse; Patients’ Hobby Shop Busy Spot

Believe it or not, McGuire has its own “Hobby Lobby”—right downstairs in Building 303. More than 300 patients stream through the American Red Cross arts and skills hobby shop each month, turning out an amazing variety of objects. Everything has been hand-made in the hobby shop—from plastic mousetraps to leather holsters for revolvers.

The McGuire hobby shop is a department of the hospital reconditioning service and is classified as recreational and diversional occupational therapy. Ambulatory patients elect their hobbies, sign up in the shop, and spend three to five afternoons a week creating ingenious objets d’art which they hastily wrap and mail to their families and friends back home.

Sixty-five volunteer instructors of the American Red Cross arts and skills corps teach at McGuire each week—teach leather work, plastics, metal work, painting, sculpture—almost anything, in fact, that GI Joe would like to attempt.

One McGuire patient, now discharged, became such an adept sculptor from his hobby shop training that he is pursuing this three-dimensional art as his vocation in civilian life. Before coming to the hospital, he had never even chiseled a cake of soap or modeled a lump of clay.

Another hospitalized GI remembered the old maxim: “Build a better mousetrap. . .” He designed a simple, ingenious rodent-snarer out of plexiglass. The unsuspecting cheese-hunter was enticed to ascend a plastic incline which tipped just as the morsel

grazed his whiskers. Bang, went the plastic door, and there was “junior” on the inside looking out.

Literally hundreds of belts, camera cases, bracelets, cigarette boxes, picture frames, ash trays — uncounted treasures rest proudly on mantles and library tables of McGuire patients or are worn by wives and sweethearts of our patients.

One mother will get her mail next week in a plastic mail box on the front porch, product of a clever soldier’s skill. No more peering through a metal slot to see what the postman left.

Any number of fathers are dropping cigar ashes in copper ash trays made from a confiscated copper still seized by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and donated to the McGuire hobby shop.

Mrs. Ruth Emmett, chief occupational therapist at McGuire believes this to be the chief value of recreational crafts:

“The men become completely absorbed in the object they are making. One patient, I remember, came to the hobby shop walking with a cane. He became so anxious to fashion a gift for his mother, he would jump up for a tool or piece of material, forgetting all about his cane. Finally, he left the cane in the shop one night and never used it again.”

McGuire’s hobby shop is in charge of Mrs. LaMont Blakely, chairman of the ARC arts and skills corps.

More About Limb Funds

gram will continue as long as there are amputees in Army Hospitals. Since the beginning of the war, there have been about 14,000 such patients in general hospitals throughout the country. Of this total, there are now about 7,000 amputees in the seven Army amputation centers.

The following projects have been established:

1. Further development of the knee assembly and ankle assembly.
2. Investigation of materials for producing a cosmetic hand or for covering mechanical hand.
3. Evaluation of usefulness of plastics in sockets or limb sections.
4. (McGuire Project) Broad study of metals and alloys used in fabrication of artificial limbs.
5. Investigation of fabrics and techniques of manufacture and fitting for prostheses at or below the ankle.
6. Production of a motion picture record of the Army amputation and prosthetic program.

PW’s Lose Li’l Stars Behind Jail Bars

It was a tough break for prisoners of war when the War Department announced that the former internees are not entitled to battle participation stars awarded their units during their imprisonment.

To the men already sweating out points discharges, being deprived of the five points for each of the little bronze stars is no easy pill to swallow.

Battle participation stars go only to personnel “assigned or attached” to units credited with participation in the specified campaigns. When a man is taken prisoner, his name is removed from the roster after 30 days so that the commander may request a replacement.

EDITORIAL

The following editorial is reprinted from the McGuire BANNER dated 10 November 1944.

“A BANNER reporter took time out the other day for a walk around the post. What he saw made him wonder if he were on the grounds of a hospital or in Capital Park on a Sunday afternoon.

“Persons on the post are being very liberal with the quantities of paper, cigarette butts and general rubbish they choose to scatter on the grounds. Most offensive is the detachment area. In fact, there is hardly a clean spot on the post.

“Let’s not blame it all on the visitors. Out-siders are not entirely responsible for the rubbish scattered on the hospital lawns and corridors.

“McGuire’s GIs and patients are right in there pitching, too. “There is no soldier here who doesn’t know how to field-strip a cigarette. And a civilian who has never heard of ‘field-stripping’ can ask the nearest GI how.

“It may be a pleasant change at McGuire from camps where a day’s KP is a penalty for dropping paper in the street. But the job we’re doing in the hospital deserves enough self-pride, at least to keep a clean self-respecting appearance in the eyes of visitors.”

Veterans Have Good Chance In Five Varied Professions

A number of professions and businesses, while not affording mass employment, offer vets opportunities for congenial, remunerative, and generally satisfactory careers. In some cases, servicemen received training in these lines of endeavor while members of the armed forces, and will wish to make use of this schooling.

Advertising is a field which looks forward to considerable post-war expansion. New products are being and will be put on the market and heralded by the copywriter. During the war advertising was cut because of the curtailment of the manufacture of many types of consumer goods and because of limited paper stocks.

Now the lid is off. In New York, the center of the field, vacancies in many firms exist and are now being filled. Several hundred vets were placed by the Veterans Guidance Committee, Advertising Club of New York, 23 Park Ave. which provides a service for that purpose and gives a 6-lecture course in advertising and selling. The committee takes especial pains in priming a man to sell himself when he applies for a job.

Among the jobs in the field: account executive, advertising manager, advertising sales, copywriter, artist, designer, display, layout, production, public relations, and research. Aside from New York, advertising agencies are to be found throughout the land, and it is a pretty lucrative line.

Jobs in Physiotherapy

Physiotherapy is another growing field, and, says the American Physiotherapy Assn., 1790 Broadway, New York, there will be a considerable need for therapists “even after the nation returns to a peacetime status.” And, of course, many vets will require their care, both through the Veterans Administration and private agencies. Tens of thousands of wounded are returning monthly, and, in addition, 1,500,000 civilians suffered industrial accidents and 19,000 were stricken with infantile in 1944. Half the trained therapists are in the service, which leaves a big opportunity for those interested.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, 120 Broadway, New York 5, last year allocated \$1,250,000 to train 1000 therapists; information on scholarships is also available through the Physiotherapy Association. Two years of college, with 12 science credits, including biology, or the equivalent, is required. There are 28 approved schools in the field.

Pay runs from \$1500 to \$4000. The profession might prove attractive to medical Wacs.

How About A Laundry?

The laundry industry employed 250,000 persons prior to the war, and, according to C. H. Lanham of the American Institute of Laundering, Joliet, Ill., the postwar figure will be about 275,000. It is the largest among service industries, Lanham reports.

Before the war, according to the Institute, laundries were handling but 20% of the potential sales volume. The business is affected by seasonal factors, but is considered fairly stable. Opportunities, as described by the Institute, range from owners and managers to washmen and seamstresses.

Other Opportunities

Public Health is another expanding field. Briefly, it is concerned with the prevention of illness. A survey by the American Public Health Association, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, shows a substantial post-war need for public health nurses, health officers, engineers, clinicians, veterinarians, dentists, dental hygienists, health educators, and clerical help. Some 12,000 nurses alone are needed. There are full-time and part-time jobs.

Many of the available positions are in the civil service, details of which are available from the state health officer of the state concerned. Information on the post-war training and recruitment of public health workers is available from Dr. George T. Palmer, U.S. Public Health Service, Bethesda Station, Washington 14, D. C. The American Public Health Association has published leaflets giving qualifica-

tions for various positions in the field.

Florist shops were found after World War I to be suitable for what were then called shell shocked vets. Many who drifted into this line were later able to return to their former trades. The Society of American Florists, 600 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, says that no previous experience is necessary, though it recommends that a man who wishes to own his own shop should first get a year or more of practical experience working for someone else.

It is possible, the society thinks, to start a small neighborhood shop for \$2000, but the big difficulty right now would be in getting a florist’s refrigerator, which run about \$1000, and which have not been manufactured lately. Vets with disabilities qualify for many tasks in the trade. The industry employs truck drivers, salesmen, mechanics, firemen, plumbing and heating experts, cultivators, and those who prepare flowers for retail sales. There are no seasonal layoffs.

Vets Begin Bowling As Fall Ends Golf

With the advent of cooler weather, bowling is replacing golf, deep sea fishing and other activities for reconditioning patients.

According to Captain John M. Sisley, chief, physical reconditioning section, interest is mounting rapidly in the weekly bowling session for Class 3 and 3C patients at the South Side alleys on Hull street..

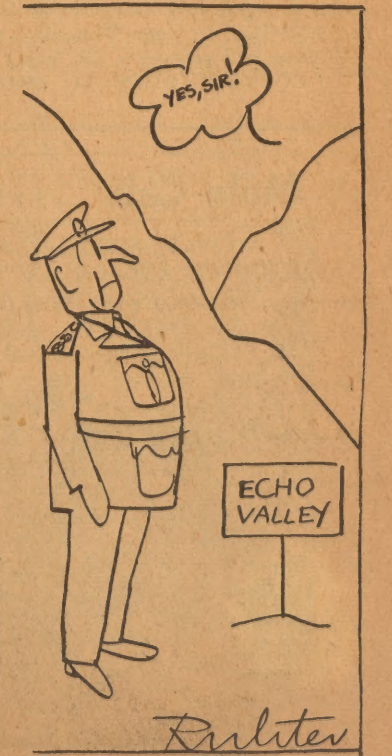
Patients report to the Reconditioning office at 8:30 a. m. each Tuesday and are taken to the alleys for a two-hour battle with the pins. The alleys are used through the courtesy of their owners and pin boys are provided by a friend of the hospital.

While the weather remains favorable, golf at the Hermitage country club will continue on the reconditioning program several times weekly. Finer points of the game are explained to the patients by Tommy Galloway, the club professional.

Deep sea fishing has ended for the season due to the cool weather and high winds. The weekly trips to Urbanna, Va. for this sport highlighted the reconditioning summer program.

A Lot of Mail

Washington (CNS)—The Signal Corps has handled 517,000,000 pieces of V-mail. Overseas V-mail stations are presently situated in Paris, Calcutta, Honolulu, Saipan, and Leyte.



Ferocious Football Fights Featured in Weekend Meets

By SGT. DAVE FIDLER

Out of the pawn shop where it was buried away among ouija boards, gypsy dream books and alchemists' formulae, we redeemed our crystal ball. Dusting it off gingerly, we're going through the motions of maintaining our mildewed reputation as a football "expert."

Last week, two games that seemed like pushovers turned out to be booby traps of an especially vicious nature. Rice's upset of Tulane and the ferocious comeback of Princeton's Tigers over a heavily favored Cornell eleven were the pitfalls in an otherwise routine Saturday afternoon.

Post mortems in sports are generally considered a waste of time. The old maxim that "It's the score that counts" is still the best guide to any grid gusser.

Wiping the scoreboard clean, we face tomorrow's games confident that we can make no more than the usual number of errors.

Let's eliminate what appear to be the easy ones first. These are the ones that have an annoying tendency of proving to be boom-crangs. But, no matter—here goes.

Penn State over Bucknell seems a safe bet, as does Holy Cross to take Brown. Navy should experience no difficulty in sinking Georgia Tech.

Notre Dame against Penn State will find the Fighting Irish holding a wake over the Keystone State constituents. Indiana should take Iowa, while the dairymen from Wisconsin curdle the Illinois eleven.

And now, picking them becomes a little harder. The Buckeyes of Ohio State, who have had a very

successful season thus far, may find Purdue a stumbling block. Still, one vote for the Bucks and a good substantial yell for Purdue.

Rice, boiling hot after their victory over Tulane last Saturday, should scald the Southern Methodist team. Lou Little's Columbia eleven will find Colgate a mighty tough nut to crack. We declare for Columbia, not exactly a gem of a notion.

Tulane might recover long enough from the drubbing it received last week to shear Auburn's locks on Saturday. Wake Forest returns to the bush league against North Carolina State. We have no axe to grind; we'll take Forest.

Kentucky's backwoodsmen will trim the aristocrats from Vanderbilt. Missouri ought to take Kansas State. Minnesota to beat Northwestern looks okay to us. Our final choice is Louisiana State to defeat Georgia.

And that wraps up this week's football selections by your Friday afternoon quarterback.

What About Hot Dogs?

Washington (CNS)—The WD has stopped buying cigarettes and reduced orders for chill con carne.

Big League Umps To Meet at McGuire

The Hot Stove League will go into extraordinary session at McGuire next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, when two major league baseball umpires, supported by a baseball statistical expert, visit the patients.

Bill Summers and Larry Goetz, veteran arbiters of the National League, will be on hand to tell of their experiences through many years of association with the big-time ball players.

Just in case their decisions do not meet with universal approval, they will have with them Arthur "Red" Patterson, head of the National League Service Bureau.

"Red" is the big "facts and figures man" of the senior circuit. He can recite batting averages, pitching records and other baseball statistics by the yard.

The trio will make informal appearances at the various wards in the hospital during their three-day visit. Arrangements for their hospital tour are being made by the Special Services office under the direction of Lt. John J. Berman.

Personal Touch For Wacs in Paris

Paris (CNS)—Two Mainbochers in khaki are Pfc. William Garber and Irving Berkowitz, who sold women's unmentionables to Wacs at a QM sales store here. They're handy with a tape measure if their customers don't remember their sizes.

Both men were infantrymen but combat wounds lifted them from the battlefield mud to their more amiable duty.

"If the gals are shy and blush," said Garber, "I tell 'em I used to do this in civilian life." He was formerly a wholesale grocer.

The Wacs aren't getting that personal touch any more though, for the pair are now selling bolts of material in the store.

Two New York Papers Run Free Ads for Vets

New York (CNS)—Helping vets find the right postwar job is the concern of 2 local publications, which are publishing free want ads for ex-GIs.

The Billboard, show business weekly (1564 Broadway), will carry ads from men and women with pre-war experience in the amusement industry. Applicants must give certain required information to the publication, which thereupon writes the ad.

The New York daily, PM, (164 Duane St.), has the applicant write his own ad, of no more than 25 words.

Each accepts ads from men with honorable discharges only.

Quote of the Week

(CNS)—"I keenly feel my responsibility and I am awaiting a significant opportunity to do away with myself."—Statement made by Jap Field Marshal Sugiyama shortly before he killed himself.



NO DANGER, MEN AT WORK—Paraplegic patients (from left to right) S-Sgt. Bernard Lyons, a former newspaperman from Pittsburgh, and Sgt. John Oats, a student of Carnegie Tech until called to the wars, have combined their talents in writing an operetta which they hope to have completed in time for presentation here. Lyons does the lyrics, while Oats is the tunesmith of the team. Untitled as yet, the musical is based on college activities around prom time. Both men will be interviewed soon on the "Open House at McGuire" air show on Station WRVA.

Dribblers Wanted; Basketball Begins

Basketball players, attention!

It's first call to practice for the candidates who desire to wear the McGuire colors in the season about to begin.

Only a few men from last year's quintet remain and the need for fresh talent is acute. All personnel, and this applies to patients, civilians as well as detachment members, are urged to report to Lt. Berman, athletic officer in the special services office, to form a squad which will participate in a local league of teams.

Practice sessions are scheduled to be held three nights weekly, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 p.m. in the post gym.

No berth on the team has been filled nor has a captain been selected. Competition to fill these openings is expected to be keen.

Ike Needs 400,000 To Occupy Germany

Germany, (CNS)—An Army of 400,000 men will be needed to occupy Germany, Gen. Eisenhower believes, but in time this force may be reduced.

Questioned recently about the duration of our occupation, the general said that was a matter on government level.

Horsley, Dring Win Doubles Trophy

Col. Horsley, recent winner of the singles tennis tournament held here, repeated his victory in the doubles tourney concluded last week when with Capt. Dring as his partner, the team won a clean cut decision over their opponents, WOJG Conway and Lt. Weeks, a patient.

In the first round, WOSG Roffman and Lt. Burman defeated Cpl. Coggins and Pfc. Feltman. The patient team of Stevenson and Bryski bowed to Col. Horsley and Capt. Dring, in the second days' play. Winners of the first round, Roffman and Burman, lost the nod to their rivals, WOJG Conway and Lt. Weeks.

The finals saw the victors seldom pressed by their opponents. Horsley and Dring won the two matches handily.

Each of the victors will receive a 12-inch trophy as a prize. The presentation will be announced shortly by Lt. John Berman of the special services office.

The gas company in a small college town inserted the following ad in the local newspaper:

WANTED: Hard boiled, beauty proof man to read meters in sorority houses. We haven't made a dollar in two years.

CONTEST ENTRY BLANK

Saturday, 27 October 1945

Alabama	Georgia
Arkansas	Mississippi
Baylor	Texas A&M
Brown	Columbia
Georgia Tech	Auburn
Illinois	Michigan
Iowa	Notre Dame
Marquette	Michigan State
Minnesota	Ohio State
Oklahoma A&M	Texas Christian
Northwestern	Purdue
Pittsburgh	Temple
Tulane	Southern Methodist
UCLA	Oregon U.
Washington	Southern California

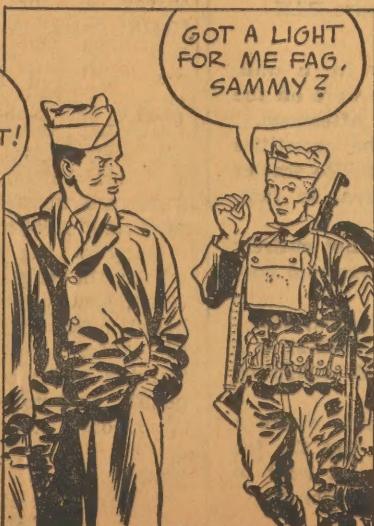
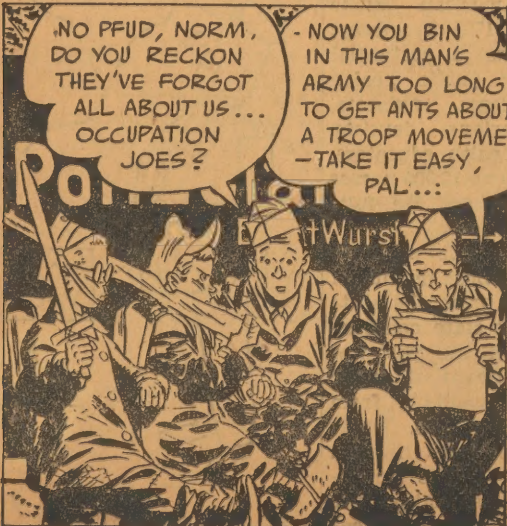
NAME
WARD OR
DEPARTMENT

Insert probable scores—DO NOT CHECK—for all these games. Bring or send this entry blank to Public Relations Office, Attention Sports Editor, by noon Thursday, October 25.

Winner will receive a \$10 WAR BOND. Decision of judges is final. CONTEST OPEN TO MILITARY PERSONNEL ONLY

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



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Glory, What a Price, or The Little Parade